

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:339

ANSWERED ON:17.08.2005

NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR YOUTH

Adsul Shri Anandrao Vithoba; Verma Shri Ravi Prakash

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up the National Commission for Youth (NCY);
- (b) if so, whether the NCY has reviewed the existing youth related schemes and programmes;
- (c) if so, the facts thereof;
- (d) the measures suggested by the NCY for better implementation and co-ordination of existing youth related schemes; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government thereon ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 339 FOR 17.08.2005 ASKED BY SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA AND SHRI ANANDRAO V. ADSUL REGARDING NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR YOUTH

(a) National Commission for Youth (NCY) was set up with effect from 15.03.2002 and wound up on 30.09.2004.

(b) & (c): Yes, Sir. As per the Terms of Reference, the National Commission for Youth has reviewed the following existing youth related schemes/ programmes: -

- i) National Service Scheme (NSS) ;
- ii) Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) ;
- iii) Rajiv Gandhi National Institute for Youth Development (RGNIYD) ;
- iv) National Service Volunteer Scheme ;
- v) Scheme of Financial Assistance for Promotion of Youth Activities and Training ;
- vi) Promotion of National Integration.;
- vii) Scheme for Promotion of Adventure ;
- viii) Youth Hostel Scheme ;
- ix) Scheme for Awards to outstanding Youth Clubs ;
- x) Scheme for Assistance to Rural Youth and Sports Clubs ; and
- xi) Scheme for Promotion of Scouting and Guiding

(d) The various measures suggested by the National Commission for Youth for better implementation of existing youth related schemes are as under :

- 1) Merger of schemes run by various departments;
- 2) Strengthening and revitalizing of the Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan(NYKS) ;
- 3) Expansion of the National Service Scheme (NSS) ; and
- 4) Revitalizing of Rajiv Gandhi National Institute for Youth Development(RGNIYD) .

(e) As a first step in this direction, convergence of various youth related schemes/ programmes with different Ministries/Departments, has been taken up. Rajiv Gandhi National Institute for Youth Development (RGNID) has been revitalized. Action with regard to the expansion of the NSS and strengthening of NYKS, has already been initiated and the matter has been referred to the Planning Commission and Department of Expenditure respectively.